Amendments to the Claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application. Please cancel claims 11-13, 15, 20, 21, 23, 24, 28 and 33-69 without prejudice, and amend claims 14, 16-19, 22, 25, 27 and 29-32 as follows:

Claims 11- 13 (canceled)

Claim 14 (currently amended): A method for transmitting an e-mail message to a preferred e-mail address that has been sent from a sender address to a second address, the method comprising the steps of:

receiving the e-mail message at the second address;

parsing non-preferred e-mail address from the e-mail message at the second address and determining if there is a preferred e-mail address associated with the non-preferred e-mail address;

if yes, sending the e-mail message from the second address to the preferred e-mail address;

if no, parsing the non-preferred e-mail address to extract the domain name and determining if the domain name has been registered with the second address;

determining if a list of usernames for the parsed domain name has been registered with the second address; and

A method as recited in claim 13 further including the step of sending the closest match username to the sender address if it is determined that there is a closest match.

Claim 15 (canceled)

Claim 16 (currently amended): A method as recited in claim 11 14 further including the step of sending an e-mail message to the sender address from the second address indicating that the e-mail has been sent to the preferred e-mail address.

Claim 17 (currently amended): A method as recited in claim ~~11~~ 14 further including the step of sending an e-mail message to the sender address from the second address indicating that the e-mail message was not forwarded if the preferred e-mail address is not associated with the non-preferred e-mail address.

Claim 18 (currently amended): A method as recited in claim ~~11~~ 14 wherein the parsing step includes the step of comparing the non-preferred e-mail address to a look-up table to determine if the non-preferred e-mail address is contained in the look-up table.

Claim 19 (currently amended): A method as recited in claim ~~11~~ 14 further including the steps of:

receiving a response message at the second address indicating that the e-mail message was not delivered to the non-preferred email address; and

relaying the response message from the second address to the sender address.

Claims 20-21 (canceled)

Claim 22 (currently amended): A method for correcting an e-mail message that has been determined as being undeliverable via a remote e-mail correcting computer having a unique e-mail address, the method comprising the steps of:

prescribing at least one domain name in the remote e-mail forwarding computer by a subscriber;

prescribing at least one format for formatting e-mail addresses intended to be sent to the at least one domain name;

sending from a user to the remote computer an e-mail message addressed to an intended e-mail address;

receiving at the remote computer from a sender's computer the e-mail message addressed to the intended e-mail address;

parsing the intended e-mail address from the e-mail message in the remote computer to determine if the domain name of the e-mail message has been prescribed with the remote computer;

sending a message to the sender's computer indicating the prescribed at least one format for the parsed domain name address if the parsed domain name has been prescribed with the remote computer;

prescribing a plurality of correct usernames for the prescribed domain name in the remote computer; and

~~A method as recited in claim 21 further including the step of~~ determining in the remote computer if there is a closest match between one of the prescribed correct usernames with that of the intended email address sent to the remote computer.

Claims 23-24 (canceled)

Claim 25 (currently amended): A method for forwarding an undeliverable e-mail message comprising the steps of:

receiving an e-mail message, from a first electronic location referencing a first e-mail address, at a second electronic location;

parsing the referenced e-mail address from the e-mail message at the second electronic location to determine if there is a second e-mail address associated with the referenced e-mail address;

if yes, sending the e-mail message from the second electronic location to a third electronic location associated with the second e-mail address; and

if no, parsing the referenced e-mail address to extract the domain name from the referenced e-mail address to determine if the domain name of the referenced e-mail address has been registered with the second electronic location;

<u>determining if a list of usernames for the parsed domain name has been registered with the second electronic location; and</u>

~~A method as recited in claim 24 further including the step of~~ determining if there is a closest match between the username of the e-mail and with any username registered with the second electronic location.

Claim 26 (original): A method as recited in claim 25 further including the step of sending the closest match username to a user of the first electronic location if it is determined that there is a closest match between the username of the e-mail message and with the usernames registered with the second electronic location.

Claim 27 (currently amended): A method as recited in claim ~~23~~ <u>25</u>, further including the step of forwarding the email message from the second electronic location to the third electronic location without notifying a user at the first electronic location of the second email address.

Claim 28 (canceled)

Claim 29 (currently amended): A method as recited in claim ~~23~~ <u>25</u> further including the step of sending an e-mail message to the first electronic location from the second electronic location indicating that the e-mail has been sent to the second e-mail address.

Claim 30 (currently amended): A method as recited in claim ~~23~~ <u>25</u> further including the step of sending an e-mail message to the first electronic location from the second electronic location indicating that the e-mail message was not forwarded to the second e-mail address if the second e-mail address is not associated with the referenced e-mail address.

Claim 31 (currently amended): A method as recited in claim ~~23~~ <u>25</u> wherein the parsing step includes the step of comparing the referenced e-mail address to a look-up table to determine if the referenced e-mail address is contained in the look-up table.

Claim 32 (currently amended): A method as recited in claim ~~23~~ <u>25</u> further including the steps of:

receiving a response message at the second electronic location from the third electronic location indicating that the e-mail message was not delivered to the third electronic location; and

relaying the response message from the second electronic location to the first electronic location.

Claims 33-69 (canceled)